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Via Email

RE: Gold King Mine Release - draft cooperative agreement & pending items

Dear Cinna and Sarah,

Attached please find a draft of La Plata County's cooperative agreement narrative for your review and comment prior to our formal submission.

In a letter dated October 12, 2015, La Plata County Manager Joe Kerby requested the EPA's response to a number of pending items. We have not yet received a written response to those requests so we are proceeding as if the November 3, 2015 deadline is applicable and, absent a deviation, we will need immediate feedback from you. Alternatively, we need immediate written confirmation of the extension of that deadline to 180 days. In that event, we respectfully request your input on or before November 11. We also have a draft budget prepared but it requires further refinement.

We look forward to your comments on our narrative.

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